

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED
EXAMINING GROUP 2881
PATENT**

Attorney Docket No. 08049.0952-01000

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
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John H. BRIDGES, III, et al.)	Group Art Unit: 2881
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Application No.: 10/684,635)	Examiner: Andrew P. Smyth
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Filed: October 14, 2003)	Confirmation No.: 3706
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For: ANTHRAX REMEDIATION AND)	Mail Stop AF
RESPONSE)	

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

RESPONSE AFTER FINAL

This is a response to the Final Office Action mailed June 17, 2008, the period for response having been extended through February 16, 2009, by a Petition for Extension of Three Months and a Notice of Appeal filed on December 16, 2008.

In the final Office Action, the Examiner rejected claim 1 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, rejected claims 36 and 38 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, and rejected claims 30-38 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Lejeune (US 20040043443).

Claim 30, the only pending independent claim, recites a remediation method comprising the steps of:

conducting remediation activities at a site where a biological
attack may have occurred;